

WICHITA TO QUIT?

Wolffville Unable to Support
Western League Ball Club.

Proud Boasts of a Few Months
Ago Are Forgotten.

Lo, the proud, fat Wolves! Now they are humble and hungry, and their every howl is a prayer that some good "angel" come along and feed them.

The announcement that the owners of the Wichita Western league franchise are ready to throw up the sponge, while deplorable from a baseball standpoint, brings little sorrow or sympathy to the hearts of a great many Topeka who, only a short time ago were made to listen to stories about the wonderful superiority of Wolffville over Topeka in a baseball war.

Wichita is the best city in the Western league, and the fact that Topeka can't support a baseball club is the best indication that Wichita is far superior to Topeka. We are drawing better crowds than any other city in the league. Already this season we have drawn as many people as Topeka drew all last season. We have a live town, we have, you bet your life!

But, alas! The above were a few of the boasts that Wichita's sportsmen turned loose on an unfeeling world only a few months ago. And now, these same sportsmen admit that their sportive little village is not live enough in a baseball way to warrant the continuing expense of the town in the league, and that unless somebody drops \$2,000 out of his hip pocket immediately the city will turn its franchise over to the league and slide silently off the baseball map.

It is said that conditions are so bad it will be impossible to finish out the season unless the money is raised, and Topeka, who have been assured by John Savage that his team will play to the end of the schedule regardless of receipts, which are admitted to be very slim, are chuckling a little bit over the fact that just now Topeka appears to be just a little more wide awake and a little more able to hold its own in her valuable assets than her proud southern sister.

Topeka's Big Chance.

However, if Topeka is to hold this superiority, Savage admits that the fans will have to patronize the games a little more freely because things are just not too rosy right here. If enough people would turn out during the remainder of the season to put the Topeka club on solid footing again, it not only would insure baseball here next season, but also would give Topeka a chance to show her real superiority over Miss Beautiful Wichita.

Since the real conditions at Wichita became publicly known there have been many rumors about one of the most persistent of which is one that says Jack Holland of St. Joe is offering the franchise and may close a deal for it at any time. Holland got his baseball start in Wichita, and if he should buy the club, it is very likely that he would be willing to sell out at Drummersville.

The Savages are home today, playing the Wolves here. Five games will be played here in three days, and the both teams will return to Wichita, the schedule having been switched to permit the Drummers to remain in Denver in case a strike is called. The Savages were scheduled to go to Denver Sunday night, but if they had started on the trip and then the strike had been called, they would have been stranded somewhere in the western part of Kansas.

Club Already Sold?

Wichita, Kan., Sept. 1.—It was reported on good authority here that the Wichita baseball club of the Western league had been sold. President Elmsight admitted that a deal is pending which may be closed this week. It is said that Jack Holland, of the St. Joseph team, has made an offer. The franchise and players are owned by seven local men, who, if the deal falls thru, may turn the team and franchise over to the league as the club is behind \$2,500.

ADDITIONAL SPORT WILL BE
FOUND ON OTHER PAGES

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

Western League.	Won.	Lost.	Per.
Omaha	50	59	.457
Lincoln	44	59	.429
Des Moines	44	59	.429
St. Paul	44	59	.429
St. Joe	44	59	.429

American League.	Won.	Lost.	Per.
Boston	51	52	.495
Chicago	49	57	.462
St. Louis	49	57	.462
New York	49	57	.462
Cleveland	49	57	.462
Philadelphia	49	57	.462

National League.	Won.	Lost.	Per.
Brooklyn	44	56	.441
Philadelphia	44	56	.441
New York	44	56	.441
St. Louis	44	56	.441
Cincinnati	44	56	.441

American Association.	Won.	Lost.	Per.
Louisville	44	56	.441
Indianapolis	44	56	.441
St. Paul	44	56	.441
Columbus	44	56	.441
Dayton	44	56	.441

SCOREBOARD FLASHES

Out of four trips to the plate in Philadelphia Joe Jackson whacked out a homer, a triple and a single. The White Sox won, 7 to 1.

Gene Packard and nine errors were too much for the Cardinals, who succumbed to the Cubs with scarcely a quiver.

A triple by Smith and a sacrifice fly saved St. Louis from a shutout. Kiehn, who was out of the game when he pitched the Browns to their third victory in four games over the Red Sox.

One of the Browns' runs resulted from an error at second base by McNally, who is trying to fill the shoes of Captain Jack Barry.

With three men on bases, Cobb whiffed. The Georgian's only hit was an infield roller and after he had stolen second, he was caught flat footed between second and third.

In the moonlight Speaker corralled two safe hits out of four attempts.

At Mansueta, the Pittsburgh youth, handed George Stallings a push down the ladder.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Boston	R. H. E.
Pittsburgh	2 1 1
St. Louis	3 1 1
Chicago	1 0 2
St. Paul	1 0 2
Batteries:	Packard and Archer; Meador, Warmouth, Currie and Gonzales.

No other games scheduled.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

First Minneapolis game:	R. H. E.
Minneapolis	3 11 2
Batteries:	Regan and Barry; Burk and Owens.
Second game:	R. H. E.
Minneapolis	3 4 2
Batteries:	Will and Sanders and Barry; Williams and Land.

First St. Paul game:

R. H. E.

St. Paul

5 7 5

Batteries:

Slapnicka and Dillhoefer; Douglas, Griner, Upham and Meyer.

Second game:

R. H. E.

St. Paul

6 10 5

Batteries:

Shackelford and Stumpt; Leitfield and Clemens.

First Toledo game:

R. H. E.

Columbus

1 4 1

Batteries:

George and La Longe; Bedard and Walls.

Second game:

R. H. E.

Columbus

2 10 1

Batteries:

Bruck and Pratt; Pierce, Koberling and Sweeney.

Western Association Results.

Denison, 7; Muskogee, 6.

Fort Smith, 1; Oklahoma City, 3.

McAlester, 9; Sherman, 6.

Noodles and Nuggets

Dug from the Dope Pot

By Clug.

A benefit was being given for the aged people of the city of Topeka. The program consisted of a recitation, in unison, by Messrs. Jack Holland, Connie McGillicuddy and a chorus.

Here is what they recited:

"I've got a rotten looking club,
To this I must admit,
Most every player is a dud,
But how could I help it?"

The recitation made such a hit that the crowd howled for more. But a member of the chorus, a bush league club owner whom no one knew, was the only one who had the nerve to face the audience again. He stepped out and said: "Along with my fans and every soul in my town, I, Clyde Kiehn, would like to begin a team this season. But I know something else that no one else knows—I know I haven't even got an all!"

The crowd laughed long and merrily, and every indication was that the benefit was going to be a howling success. There were several more numbers on the program, and they were corks—John Savage and Clyde Kiehn were about to begin a duet, the title of which was "Why We Didn't Cop This Year," when Bill Koberling, of Omaha, just back from collecting for Smith, Krueger and Kidult, climbed upon the stage.

Hourke was in a sarcastic mood. He snarled off as follows:

"I have roamed wild, rocky mountains,
But never have I seen before
So many hunks of cheese."

He then started to lecture on the art of winning penants and selling stars, incidentally telling what he thought of club owners who could not do these simple things, but Lucky Holmes, who was acting as stage director, recognized Pa's voice from the wings, and he called out to the crowd that the lights went out and the crowd had to go home in the dark without hearing "Why We Didn't Cop This Year."

Al Schweitzer has gone back to his home on the Rhine—the Ubbie that flows thru Cincinnati, and Savage is still looking for a new outfielder.

It is more or less encouraging to baseball supporters to know that all of the minor league teams are not drawing like the Western. A week day game in a town of 15,000 in the Central association drew a crowd of 3,500 last week.

If you want another glimpse of Jimmy Jackson directing the destinies of the Wichita Wolves, you would better get to the games today, tomorrow and Sunday.

Wichita fans had their first opportunity to see Tony De Fato, the new Topeka shortstop, Tuesday. Tony poked three hits in the first inning and opened the crushing eighth with a two-bagger. His opinion that he was "agin" the Wolves was right.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

St. Louis	R. H. E.
Boston	2 7 0
Batteries:	Koob and Severeid; Ruth and Coffey.
Cleveland	R. H. E.
Washington	3 9 0
Batteries:	Lambeth, Morton, Gould and O'Neil and Coleman; Ayers and Henry and Garrity.

DETROIT.

R. H. E.

New York

3 10 2

Batteries:

Mitchell and McKee; Russell, Mogridge, Love and Walters.

CHICAGO.

R. H. E.

Philadelphia

1 12 2

Batteries:

Henz and Schalk; Rush, Nabors and Pielich.

BASEBALL TODAY.

Western League.

Wichita at Topeka, cloudy, 3:30 p. m.

Omaha at Lincoln, rain, 3:30 p. m.

Des Moines at Sioux City, cloudy, 3:30 p. m.

No other games scheduled.

American League.

Boston at New York, clear, 3:30 p. m.

Philadelphia at Washington, clear, 2, first 1:45 p. m.

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National League.

Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, clear, 3:30 p. m.

Brooklyn at Philadelphia, clear, 2, first 1:30 p. m.

Chicago at St. Louis, rain, 3:30 p. m.

New York at Boston, clear, 3:15 p. m.

American Association.

Columbus at Toledo, cloudy, 3 p. m.

St. Paul at Minneapolis, cloudy 3 p. m.

No other games scheduled.

Colorado Springs, Colo., Sept. 1.—With the twenty-two round lightweight championship battle between Freddie Welsh and Charley White but three days away and both principals already trained to a fighting edge, the men today began a tapering off process. Work will be appreciably lightened and rough boxing bouts will be eliminated from the daily program and only light sparring exhibitions indulged in.

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A slight irritation shows the champion is keyed up to high tension. It leaked out today that White has apparently abandoned the idea that he can knock out Freddie with his famous left hook and is developing a new offensive for the battle, using a right swing for his heavy artillery. It was explained that White has been working a careful study of the English method of boxing and has found that it was almost impossible to take a left solidly thru this English defense.

KOUNS IS IMPROVED

Santa Fe General Manager is on His Way to Topeka.

The condition of C. W. Kouns, general manager for manager P. E. who suffered an attack of illness in Washington a few days ago, is much improved and the official is on his way home, according to telegrams received in the general offices here today.

Mr. Kouns will arrive here Saturday night. Should negotiations which are expected to result in calling off the strike fail, Mr. Kouns will undoubtedly assume charge of this railroad's difficulties here.

WESTERN LEAGUE.

At St. Joe—Score: R. H. E.

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ATHENS THRONE

IS ABDICATED BY

KING OF GREEKS

Crown Prince Succeeds Him,

Under War Party Control.

Believe Civil War Rampant

Thruout Kingdom.

ZAIMIS AT HEAD OF CABINET

Leader Who Resigned Re-

called by New Move.

Rebel Greek Garrison Surrender to Government.

London, Sept. 1.—King Constantine of Greece has abdicated, according to the British official press representative at Saloniki. The king has abdicated in favor of the crown prince, Prince George, as the power behind the throne.

The new policy will be to work with the entente allies.

Premier Zaimis will remain at the head of the government.

There has been fighting between the Greek garrison at Saloniki and Greek volunteers recently organized to assist the Greek regulars who are resisting the Bulgarians in Macedonia. French troops intervened to suppress the fighting and the garrison finally surrendered and marched out of Saloniki.

Follows Report King Has Fled.

Wars Price, to whom the above dispatch is credited, is the official British press representative designated by the government to act for all British publications in that area. Nevertheless, these dispatches are subject not only to the Greek censorship but to the French military censorship which controls all lines of communication from Athens. The fact that both censorships, as well as the Greek garrison, in London have permitted this dispatch to come thru is significant.

Engage in Civil War.

London, Sept. 1.—The beginning of a revolution in Macedonia is reported from Saloniki.

Fighting occurred in Saloniki, the correspondent adds, but serious trouble was prevented by the intervention of soldiers of the entente allies.

The revolution claimed its first victims at 4:30 o'clock this morning, the correspondent cables. "Cretan gendarmes and Macedonian volunteers surrounded the barracks of the Greek infantry in Saloniki and exchanged shots with the garrison. But for the intervention of the allies the consequences might have been more serious."

"After half promising to participate in a demonstration arranged yesterday by a privately committed Cretan troops finally refused. During the night pro-ally volunteers made a determined attempt to seize the barracks but failed. It is ascertained a gendarme was killed and that two were wounded. The losses of the loyalists have not been ascertained."

FIGHTERS TAPERING OFF

Welsh and White Both Reported in Great Condition for Mill.

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ON THRU KANSAS

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district entered a protest. He really entered several of them. And because of his plea, Ellsworth received a five minute stop and a short talk.

In Ellsworth Governor Hughes flayed Wilson's administration. He hit the Democratic congress on its extravagance and declared for economy in public affairs.

"I desire to have an economical government," said the candidate.

Present administration has been more extravagant than any administration that preceded it. I understand from high authority that we shall have a great appropriation, outside of appropriations for army and navy and fortifications, that outside of all these appropriations will exceed by 150 millions the appropriations of any former congress in time of peace—and will exceed even the appropriations which were made in the civil war."

Mrs. Hughes appeared with Governor Hughes at all stopping points. Not one word of her husband's speeches, she urged, should be taken from the invasion began.

By far the largest crowd that heard Hughes in Kansas this morning was at the station in Salina. The candidate did not stop for ten minutes. Probably 5,000 people heard the Salina speech. As in his earlier speeches, Hughes urged the people to be prepared following the European war.

"I know that the people of Kansas are thoughtful and deliberate. They desire to consider peaceably and carefully the issues that are brought before them," was the Hughes greeting in launching into a discussion of national issues.

"We have entered a period in our history at this time. After the European war, there will be a new era in this world. Europe is not going to be the same. Europe is going to be a new world. My friends, the United States must wake up. It must be zealous for its own interests. It must be prepared to uphold its own independence."

Similar statements characterized the Hughes speeches in Abilene, Junction City and Manhattan. In each of these towns the candidate greeted the presidential nominee.

Probably 12,000 to 14,000 people heard Hughes' speeches between Denver and Topeka. All of the largest towns on the itinerary turned out large crowds, but there was little difference in the attitude of crowds in various parts of the state.

Manhattan a delegation of women gave Mrs. Hughes a large bouquet. She smiled and bowed graciously. The train stopped at Topeka to meet the train at this point. By this time the train was crowded with reception committees. Many of the party leaders in the Fifth and Sixth districts, including Olin L. Benton, congressional nominee, and Charles M. Hager, Republican nominee in the Fifth, performed the same function during the stops in this district.

Strike Conditions Concern the Party.

Strike conditions are worrying members of Governor Hughes' party. Snatches of news concerning the strike problem were eagerly seized today as the train approached Kansas. Arrangements have been made to complete the Hughes trip by automobile if the strike troubles reach the presidential candidate.

With speaking dates right up to the eve of the November election, a general railroad strike means trouble for Governor Hughes and his managers. It means the carefully laid plans for a nation-wide speaking trip must be worked out anew. It means the success of the tour which Governor Hughes' campaign managers plan to reach must be abandoned.

At Topeka, where a strike would do to us," said Charles W. Farnham, in charge of the Hughes trip. "It would probably upset plans greatly. So far as the present trip is concerned, though, we hope to be able to avoid any serious difficulty."

The worst case, however, we will make through Kentucky next Monday by motor cars. A continuation of strike troubles, might also make necessary the completion of the trip by automobiles."

Men in charge of the Hughes trip were today in touch with the western division of the national headquarters in Chicago and with various state committees relative to the completion of the trip if a strike is called Monday.

The Hughes Temperament.

Governor Hughes shows evidence of the "judicial temperament." He also lacks the keen news sense of Roosevelt. He is polite and courteous, but he has insinuated an iron-clad rule that he is not to be interviewed on public questions while on his western tour. He reserves his opinions for his speeches.

Coming across Kansas today Governor Hughes enjoyed the grandeur of the Solomon valley and declared he was feeling perfectly fit for the national fight. But when newspaper men asked questions concerning vital issues, the candidate froze. He is an artful dodger, the reporters and correspondents who have covered the western trip, who learned days ago to content themselves with incidents and formal statements.

The candidate was quite willing to discuss in an informal manner—nothing foot polished—any subject, but the fact that his health is good, that he enjoyed a good rest at Estes Park and that he is pleased with the crowds and his reception on the western trip. Mrs. Hughes, who seems constantly at her husband's side, smiles graciously and talks frankly concerning the pleasant western trip. But Governor Hughes is gun shy regarding quotation marks. Only his utterances in public speeches were released to the reporters who "covered" the Kansas invasion.

Neither is Governor Hughes inclined to welcome numerous visitors. He prefers the quiet of his stateroom and the companionship of his wife to a crowded observation car. Maybe this is due to the restrictions placed by his physician and managers. His strength and endurance are receiving the real test and every opportunity to rest is greedily seized.

Governor Hughes will be glad to meet you and talk with you, but nothing he may say is to be quoted," was the admonition of Messrs. Farnham. The Hughes temperament came to the surface on several occasions today. At Junction City a number of local celebrities crowded the observation car while the candidate was speaking. As the train started, Governor and Mrs. Hughes started for their stateroom. "We are pleased to meet you," was Governor Hughes' pleasant allow Mrs. Hughes and me to please?"

WANT A STRIKE

Senator Reed Says Financial

Interests Desire Walkout.

Gallinger Accuses President of

Grandstand Play.

Washington, Sept. 1.—Senator Stone discussing the strike situation in the senate prophesied that Republicans would be found "harping and crittling" and refusing to aid in enacting legislation to meet the case. Senator Gallinger retorted that the Democrats had a majority of senators and asked if they did not think themselves competent to deal with the subject.

"I have been here a long time," said Senator Gallinger, "but I have never seen any president come to this capital in the way the president now comes, nor have I ever seen such interference with legislative matters as in the present administration. Senators know the president comes here as a grandstand play to impress the country."

"There are great financial powers in this country that want this strike and want it at this time," declared Senator Reed.

As the Hughes train was pulling in toward the Topeka station, Senator Troutman, with some perturbation and haste, said: "Should Governor Hughes' government ever get out of the train first? What's the etiquette?"

One man said: "I think Governor Capper should lead the way. A hurried appeal was made to Farnham, the train manager.

"Etiquette," shouted Farnham. "No etiquette. Simply get off the train and into the autos," which they all did.

Governor and Mrs. Capper, Mrs. J. S. West, Senator Troutman, former Governor W. R. Stubbs, County Chairman John Chaney, J. N. Dolan, Frank P. MacLennan, W. C. Simons met the Hughes party at Manhattan.

On the train coming into Topeka were National Committeemen Fred Stanley of Wichita and Otis L. Benton.

STRIKE HANGS IN BALANCE

Jobs of 35,000 Miners Depend on Finish Negotiations Today.

Kansas City, Sept. 1.—Whether the 35,000 coal miners of Missouri, Kansas, Oklahoma and Arkansas were to confer hung in the balance today and conference negotiators expected a decision would be reached here before night.

The Rumanian right wing, linked up with the Russians near the Bukowina frontier, is advancing on the famous border of Transylvania. The Rumanians have abandoned more than 400 square miles of Transylvanian territory to the invaders.

At least a dozen towns and villages have been captured by the Rumanians since war was declared Sunday night. So rapidly are the Austrians retreating on both wings, squeezing the Rumanians out of all southeastern Transylvania. The Austrians, caught in the center and corner of better military positions, are preparing to evacuate Bistritz.

Austrians Defend Hermannstadt.

Heavy fighting continues along the mountain front leading southward from Bukowina. Along the southern border of Transylvania, the Rumanians are attempting to make a stand in the mountain passes.

The Berlin Tagblatt's correspondent, Julius A. Front, adds that the surrender of Kronstadt and other towns to the Rumanians, indicated that the Austrians will fight stubbornly to hold Hermannstadt, the capital of Transylvania, and the Red Tower Pass, the mountain gateway approaching Hermannstadt.

Should the Rumanians burst thru this pass in large force, they might cut off and capture the Austrians retreating southward. At Victoria, 40 to 50 miles further west, however, the Rumanians have pierced to Valcan Pass. It is admitted at Vienna, the center of the Rumanian advance toward Transylvania to the railway town of Petroseni.

GLAD HE IS HERE

Hughes Says, Too, That It Looks Like Rain in Kansas.

Hays, Kan., Sept. 1.—Charles Evans Hughes was sleeping soundly when he entered the borders of Kansas at midnight. At Wakarusa Governor Capper boarded the "Hughes special."

At Ellis a crowd greeted the presidential candidate. Hughes spoke from the rear platform of his train, stating that he was glad he was in Kansas on a cloudy day and hoped it might mean rain. He expressed hope that the employees of the railroads would make a satisfactory settlement and not strike and thus paralyze the business of the country.

As the train neared Hays he caught sight of the new western Kansas State Normal and in an address to the crowd assembled, congratulated it upon the prosperity and the excellent educational institutions of the state, thru the efforts of Charles H. Sessions, the train was stopped and Hughes spoke to the Germans and Russians, congressmen, and the people of a free America, rather than a war-torn Russia. Ellis county was especially fortunate, getting three speeches from the candidate.